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For: **METHOD OF CORRECTING VISION**

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Sir:

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.116

Responsive to the Examiner's Final Office Action of December 4, 2002, please enter the amendments and remarks set forth below. The Examiner is requested to note that this reply is being presented within two months of the date of the Final Office Action. The Examiner is once again requested to please correct the addressee of record, and a copy of a Power of Attorney and Revocation of Previous Powers is once again enclosed, which was originally filed on December 21, 2000.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend Claims 1-10 and enter new Claims 11-20 as follows:

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1. **(amended)** A method for correcting vision, comprising the steps of:
 - a. selecting an eye for treatment;
 - b. creating a surface flap of corneal tissue and folding the surface flap aside to expose a corneal surface having a corneal surface area;

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